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Dear Sir:

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In response to the Notice to Comply mailed from the Patent and Trademark Office on November 17, 2000 (paper No. 11), please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 17, line 12, after the "TGTTGGA-3", please insert --(SEQ ID NO:4)--.

On page 17, line 12, after the "5'-TTTGATA-3", please insert --(SEQ ID NO:5)--.

On page 17, line 12, after the "5'-TGTTGGA(N)₈TTTGATA-3", please insert --(SEQ ID NO:6)-

On page 17, line 19, after the "TGTTGGATCACAAGATTTGATA-3", please insert --(SEQ ID NO:7)--.

On page 32, line 22, after the "LU", please insert -- (SEQ ID NO:19)--.

On page 32, line 22, after the "rLP", please insert -- (SEQ ID NO:24)--.

On page 32, line 23, after the "C", please insert -- (SEQ ID NO:20)--.

On page 32, line 23, after the "INT rLP", please insert -- (SEQ ID NO:26)--.